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APPLICANT: Pasricha, P.J.

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SERIAL NO.: 10/665,770

FOR: Treatment of Irritable Bowel Syndrome  
and Related Bowel Diseases

§ ART UNIT:  
§ 1617  
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§ EXAMINER:  
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Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to a Restriction Requirement mailed July 27, 2006, for the above-referenced application, Applicant elects Group I, claims 1-7 and 10-16, drawn to a method for treating irritable bowel syndrome comprising administering a lumenally active anti-inflammatory, without traverse. Applicant elects the species beclomethasone without traverse.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

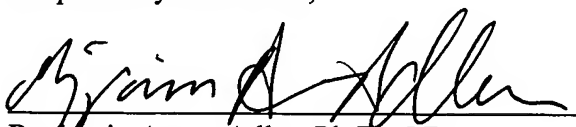
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Restriction Requirement, mailed July 27, 2006, in the above-referenced application, be extended four (4) months to and including December 27, 2006. Please charge the \$795 extension fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) to the credit card identified on Form PTO-2038. Only in the absence of Form PTO-2038, please debit the extension fee from Dep. Acct. 07-1185.

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